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SUBJECT: RATIONALIZATION AND SPECILAIZATION OF DEFENSE TASKS

THIS MESSAGE TRAMSITS TEXT OF AC/281-REPORT (75)3, WHICH IS AN
INPUT FOR EWG USE IN PREPARING SPRING REPORT TO MINISTERS ON
SUBJECT.

BEGIN TEXT.

EXECUTIVE WORKING GROUP ON THE STUDY OF ALLIANCE DEFENCE
PROBLEMS FOR THE 1970S

INPUTS FOR THE SPRING REPORT 1975

NOTE BY THE SECRETARY

FORWARDED HERewith IS THE TEXT OF THE FIRST PROGRESS
REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE WORKING GROUP BY THE AD HOC STEERING
COMMITTEE FOR A STUDY OF HOST NATION SUPPORT OF WARTIME LINES
OF COMMUNICATION (LOC).
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FIRST PROGRESS REPORT TO THE EWG BY THE AD HOC STEERING
COMMITTEE FOR A STUDY OF HOST NATION SUPPORT OF WARTIME LOC

AT ITS MEETING ON 18THN 1974, THE WWG AGREED(1)

THAT A STUDY OF HOST NATION SUPPORT OF WARTIME LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS BE UNDERTAKEN AND AGREED THE TERMS OF REFERENCE AND MACHINERY FOR CARRYING OUT THIS STUDY UNDER THE DIRECTION AND THE CO-ORDINATION OF AN AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE, CHAIRED BY THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL FOR DEFENCE SUPPORT.

2. THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THIS STUDY WILL BE TO DETERMINE WHETHER FEASIBLE REDISTRIBUTION OF LOC SUPPORT TASKS BETWEEN NATIONS CAN LOWER TOTAL ALLIED COSTS FOR THIS SUPPORT AND PROVIDE OFFSETS WHICH CAN BE USED TO ENHANCE NATO DEFENCE EFFECTIVENESS.

3. THE AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE HELD ITS FIRST MEETING ON 20TH MARCH, 1975 AT NATO HEADQUARTERS, BRUSSELS. ITS COMPOSITION IS INDICATED AT ANNEX.

4. THE AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE NOTED THAT AT ITS MEETING ON 26-28 NOVEMBER, 1974, THE PBEIST AGREED TO SET UP UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE NETHERLANDS, AN AD HOC GROUP ON LINES OF COMMUNICATION (LOC) IN A NATO-RECOGNIZED PERIOD OF EMERGENCY, CONSISTING INITIALLY OF DELEGATES FROM BELGIUM, CANADA, GERMANY, LUXEMBOURG, THE NETHERLANDS, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE UNITED STATES, AND OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM SHAPE AND AFCEC.

5. THIS GROUP AGREED UPON THE FOLLOWING INITIAL PLAN FOR CARRYING OUT ITS STUDY:

(1) AC/281-DS(74)10

(A) IN A FIRST PHASE, THE STUDY WILL CONCENTRATE ON THE HOST NATION SUPPORT OF WARTIME LOC THROUGH THE BENELUX COUNTRIES AND THE FRG;

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(B) ALL REQUIREMENTS WILL BE EXPRESSED IN CONNECTION WITH ONE SINGLE SCENARIO, IN WHICH HOSTILITIES COMMENCE 10 DAYS AFTER REINFORCED ALERT AND CONTINUE FOR 90 DAYS;

(C) ON THE BASIS OF INFORMATION PROVIDED BY USER AND HOST COUNTRIES, AN ASSESSMENT OF TOTAL REQUIREMENTS, BOTH MILITARY AND CIVIL, WILL BE MADE, TO BE EXPRESSED IN TERMS OF TONS/DAY WITH THEIR POINTS OF ORIGIN AND DESTINATION;

(D) ON THE BASIS OF INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE HOST NATIONS, AND ASSESSMENT OF AVAILABLE PORT

AND INLAND TRANSPORT CAPACITIES WILL BE MADE
AND BY COMPARISON WITH REQUIREMENTS, SHORTAGES
OR EXCESSES WILL BE IDENTIFIED;

(E) A STUDY WILL BE MADE OF THE CONDITIONS UNDER
WHICH THE EXISTING CAPACITY CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE;
PARTICULARLY IN TERMS OF THE LEGAL AND PROCEDURAL
PROVISIONS FOR THE ACTIVATION OF CIVIL AND
MILITARY PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT AND MATERIAL TO MEET
THE REQUIREMENTS;

(F) AN EXAMINATION WILL BE MADE OF THE MEASURES
ADOPTED BY THE NATIONS CONCERNED TO CO-ORDINATE
PORT RECEPTION FACILITIES AND INLAND SURFACE
TRANSPORT CROSSING THEIR FRONTIERS AND TO ENSURE
CONTINUITY OF MOVEMENT.

6. THE STATUS AND PLANS FOR THE PBEIST STUDY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) SUBMISSION BY NATIONS AND EVALUATION BY HOST
COUNTRIES OF THE MILITARY LOC REQUIREMENTS:
COMPLETED BY THE END OF FEBRUARY 1975.

(B) ASSESSMENT OF THE CIVIL REQUIREMENTS BY NATIONS:
TO BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF JUNE 1975.

(C) COMPARISON BY HOST COUNTRIES OF THE TOTAL
MILITARY AND CIVIL REQUIREMENTS AGAINST THE
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CAPABILITIES: AUTUMN 1975

7. THE RESULTS OF SUCH NATIONALLY UNDERTAKEN STUDIES WILL
THEN BE SUBMITTED TO THE PBEIST AD HOC GROUP, TOGETHER WITH ANY
CONSTRAINTS OR INCONSISTENCIES DISCOVERED, SO THAT THE GROUP
MAY SEEK TO IDENTIFY IMPROVEMENTS.

8. THE STUDY WILL THEN PROCEED TO THE REMAINDER OF THE
STUDY PLAN GIVEN ABOVE, AND, IF POSSIBLE, TO AN EXTENSION OF
ITS WORK BEYOND THE BENELUX COUNTRIES AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC
OF GERMANY.

9. THE AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE:

(A) NOTED THAT THE STUDY FOR WHOSE OVERALL DIRECTION
AND CO-ORDINATION IT IS RESPONSIBLE IS PROCEEDING
SATISFACTORILY THROUGH ITS FIRST PHASE RELATED TO
THE CENTRAL REGION;

(B) AGREED TO ALLOCATE TO AFCEM THE TASK OF CARRYING
OUT A CO-ORDINATED REVIEW OF ALL THE MILITARY
REQUIREMENTS SUBMITTED BY THE CENTRAL REGION

NATIONS, WITH A VIEW TO COMPARING THEM WITH THE
OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS STEMMING FROM THE
EMERGENCY DEFENCE PLANS AS WELL AS FROM ITS "FLEXIBILITY STUDY";

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(C) AGREED TO INVITE THE PBEIST AD HOC GROUP TO SUBMIT
TO THE AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE ALL THE STATEMENTS
ABOUT CIVIL REQUIREMENTS AND AVAILABLE PORT AND
INLAND TRANSPORT CAPACITIES (SHORTAGES AND EXCESSES)
PRODUCED BY THE CENTRAL REGION NATIONS, IN ORDER TO
ALLOW THE AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE TO DRAW A
COMPREHENSIVE PICTURE OF THIS ASPECT OF THE STUDY
WHICH, TOGETHER WITH THE OTHER FACTORS INVOLVED AND
SUPPLEMENTED BY THE WORK OF OTHER BODIES, AS
NECESSARY, WILL ENABLE THE AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE
TO DISCHARGE ITS MAIN TASK OF DETERMINING WHETHER
FEASIBLE REDISTRIBUTION OF LOC SUPPORT TASKS BETWEEN
NATIONS CAN LOWER TOTAL ALLIED COSTS FOR THIS
SUPPORT AND PROVIDE OFFSETS WHICH CAN BE USED TO
ENHANCE NATO DEFENCE EFFECTIVENESS;

(D) AGREED TO IDENTIFY MILITARY TRANSPORT CAPABILITIES
WHOSE FUNCTIONS COULD POTENTIALLY BE PERFORMED BY
CIVIL TRANSPORT CAPABILITIES INSTEAD, IF THE LATTER
WERE AVAILABLE;

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(E) AGREED TO INVITE THE PBEIST AD HOC GROUP, IN CONJUNCTION WITH AFCENT, TO INVESTIGATE WHETHER WARTIME DAMAGE TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOVEMENT SYSTEM WOULD LEAD TO MAJOR CHANGES IN THE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS RESULTING FROM THIS STUDY;

(F) AGREED TO INVESTIGATE WHETHER THE NEED TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY IN THE EMERGENCY DEFENCE PLANS WOULD INFLUENCE THOSE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS;

(G) AGREED TO INVITE THE PBEIST TO INVESTIGATE WHETHER BILATERAL AGREEMENTS ARE SUFFICIENT TO ENSURE

(H) AGREED TO CONTINUE TO EXAMINE FURTHER PROGRESS REPORTS BY THE PBEIST AD HOC GROUP ON LINES OF COMMUNICATION IN A NATO RECOGNIZED PERIOD OF EMERGENCY;

(I) NOTED THE INTENTION, AT A LATER STAGE, TO EXTEND THE STUDY TO NATO TERRITORY OUTSIDE THE BENELUX COUNTRIES AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY;

(J) AGREED TO SUBMIT A SECOND PROGRESS REPORT TO THE EWG OF RCONSIDERATION BY THE DPC IN PERMANENT SESSION IN TIME FOR INCLUSION IN ITS AUTUMN 1975 REPORT TO MINISTERS.

1. ATTACH:
LIST OF MEMBERS

LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE
FOR A STUDY ON HOST NATION SUPPORT OF WARTIME LOC

CHAIRMAN: DR. G.L. TUCKER,
ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL FOR DEFENCE SUPPORT

MEMBERS: MR. M. DEVEGLIA,
DIRECTOR OF CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING,
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ACOS LOGISTICS AND ARMAMENTS,
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